

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5281
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THREAT TO OLIVE RIDLEY TURTLES
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Prawn hatcheries and chemical factories situated on the east coast of Andhra Pradesh are a threat to the Olive Ridley Turtles;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures taken/proposed to be taken to protect the endangered species?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

- (a) According to the report received from the Chief Wildlife Warden of Andhra Pradesh, prawn hatcheries and chemical factories do not pose any significant threat to the Olive Ridley turtle population along the east coast of Andhra Pradesh.
- (b) & (c) Do not arise.